(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to fill up the top posts at an early date to tide over the crisis?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Steps are being taken for the appointment of Chairman and Managing Director for the two Corporations on a regular basis.

Services at the G.T.B. Hospital, Delhi

799. SHRI B. K. HARIPRASAD: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the 'Petty politics' existing in GTB Hospital, Delhi as reported in the *Hindustan Times* of 28th June, 1990;

(b) whether it is a fact that the dissatisfaction among the staff is adversely affecting services at the Hospital; and

(c) if so, what corrective steps are being taken/proposed to be taken by Government to effectively cope with the rush of patients during the ensuing monsoon season?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) Government have seen the press report.

(b) No Sir.

(c) As regards the monsoon season, the hospital has been fully geared-up to meet any eventuality among out of the problems of dirarrhoea diseases. All the essential medicines for Gastroenteritis cases including O.R.S. Anti-Diarrhoea Drug, I.D. Fluids and other life saving drugs are available in sufficient quantity in the hospital. A Diarrhoea control room has been established in the Casualty Department of the Hospital.

O.R.S. training is being imparted in Paediatric Department, a special ward with 40 beds has been set up in the hospital. Bed strength and nursing services have been strengthened.

Gastro-Enteritis Deaths in West Bengal, Bihar and Delhi

800. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Gastroenteritis disease has recently taken a heavy toll in West Bengal, Bihar and Delhi; and

(b) if so, what preventive steps Government are taking to supply purified water to avoid Gastro enteritis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI RASHEED MASOOD): (a) According to the information obtained by NICD, Delhi from the State Health Authorities, Bihar and information received from Delhi Administration, the number of reported cases and death due to Gastro enteritis and Cholera are under:—

Period	Cases	Deaths
Bihar		
27-6-90 to 20-7-90 .	1456	70
Delhi		
June & July '90 Cholera	195	..
June & July '90 Gestro-Enteritis	12318	6

No report has been received from the Government of West Bengal.

(b) The steps being taken to prevent the outbreak of these diseases include surveillance and monitoring, supply of safe drinking water, safe disposal of human-excreta, garbage, refuse etc., improvement of personal hygiene and health education.